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SUBJECT: DHEW/PHS/NIH/SFCP - OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF DR. LOUIS
MILLER RE MALARIA COLLABORATION

PASS TO SCIATT TERISITA SCHAFFER

1. IN CONFIRMATION OF DISCUSSIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE WITH
GOPALAN OVER PAST YEAR AND A HALF, DR. LOUIS H. MILLER,
HEAD, MALARIA SECTION, LABORATORY OF PARASITIC DISEASES,
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES,
NIH, WROTE TO DR. GOPALAN ON MAY 11, 1977 OUTLINING SOME
AREAS OF COLLABORATION BUT RECEIVED NO REPLY. MILLER ALSO
WROTE GOPALAN ON JULY 20, 1977, INFORMING HIM THAT HE CAN
VISIT INDIA IN NOVEMBER 1977 AND REQUESTED AN ITINERARY
BUT AGAIN RECEIVED NO REPLY. FROM DISCUSSIONS WITH HIM,
THIS VISIT IS KNOWN TO BE OF HIGH PRIORITY TO GOPALAN.

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2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO PASS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
TO GOPALAN AS GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING MILLER'S ITINERARY.
DR. MILLER DOES NOT WANT HIS VISIT LIMITED TO DISCUSSIONS
OF IMMUNOLOGY AND THE TOPICS CITED IN HIS LETTER OF MAY
11, 1977. DURING HIS VISIT, HE DESIRES TO OBTAIN AS BROAD
AND COMPLETE A PICTURE OF MALARIA IN INDIA AS POSSIBLE IN
ORDER TO SEE WHERE THE NIH MALARIA GROUP CAN FIT IN. HE

WISHES TO: 1) VISIT RESEARCH LABORATORIES INVOLVED IN ALL ASPECTS OF MALARIA - (A) BIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY OF MALARIA, (B) DISTRIBUTION OF RESISTANT PLASMODIUM FALCIPARUM, (C) CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC STUDIES, AND (D) ENTOMOLOGY; 2) VISIT MALARIA CONTROL PROGRAMS IN PROBLEM AREAS, AND 3) HE PLANS TO ATTEND THE INDIA MALARIA MEETING ON NOVEMBER 16-17, BUT HAS INFORMED THE ORGANIZERS THAT HE WILL NOT GIVE A PAPER. HE CAN STAY UP TO THREE WEEKS IF HIS TIME CAN BE SCHEDULED EFFECTIVELY TOWARD THESE OBJECTIVES.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM GOPALAN THAT NIH URGENTLY NEEDS PREFERRED ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES FOR MILLER VISIT. SCIENTISTS, INSTITUTIONS AND DETAILED ITINERARY CAN BE SUPPLIED LATER.

4. IN VIEW OF RECENT NOTICE ABOUT ACCOMMODATIONS SHORTAGE, EMBASSY ALSO REQUESTED MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR PERIOD OF MILLER'S NEW DELHI STAY.

5. FISCAL DATA WILL BE SENT UPON RECEIPT OF ABOVE INFORMATION FROM EMBASSY. PROMPT REPLY CONCERNING MILLER'S ETA AND ETD APPRECIATED. VANCE

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